

Monday - 7 August 1950

1. Cong. McCormack called to ascertain whether it would be safe for certain friends of his to make a pilgrimage to Rome in September. I informed him that we saw no reason not to go, but that he should check again about 1 September to make certain.
2. House of Representatives passed the amendment to section 9 of the CIA Act of 1949 on the Consent Calendar.
3. Discussed with Mr. Barber and Mr. Merry of the Bureau of the Budget, problems contained in S. 3971 or H.R. 9230 which would make it impossible for CIA to utilize the provision of section 1 of P. L. 600, 79th Cong. Mr. Merry stated that he had requested the Senate to include the amendment shutting off CIA, but now realized that it would be necessary for us to ~~continued~~ to utilize P.L. 600 and would request the Senate Committee to eliminate the reference to the CIA Act. Mr. Barber has verbally authorized us to inform the appropriate Congressional committee that we wish to have this block eliminated. Mr. Shriver of the

staff of the Senate Expenditures Committee has requested that we send the Chairman of the Committee a letter to this effect. Mrs. Rowland of the staff of the House Expenditures Committee informs me that Mr. Merry of the Bureau of the Budget has requested them to delete the phrase "the Act of June 20, 1949 (63 Stat. 208), or other similar special provision of law" from H. R. 9230 and that the Chairman has agreed to do so.

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